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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

In response to the restriction requirement dated August 19, 2010, Applicants elect the claims of Group I (claims 1-8 and 14-20) for examination. Applicants withdraw the claims of Groups II (claims 9-13) from consideration, without prejudice to their patentability, and expressly reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to their subject matter.

Applicants respectfully request examination and allowance of the elected claims. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

Respectfully submitted,

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